tra was not good, and the chorus was sometimes very bad. The stage-setting could not be called luxurious.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES. Mr. Charles Roberts, jr., will read, at Chick-

ering Hail, on Friday evening.

Miss Ada Cavendish will have a benefit, on Pridar evening, at the Grand Opera House, and, for the first time in New-York, will personate Juliet. Mr. Piercy will be the Romeo. This evening the annual concert for the

benefit of the German Ladies' Society for Widows and Orphans will take place at Steinway Hall. It is a charitable affair which always presents a varied programme and attracts a notable audience. On this occastands and activates a bounde and energe. On this occa-sion it calls the services of Miss Lettila Fritch, Miss Anna Drascii, Mr. Frederick Steins, Misses Constance and Heiene Seebass (plants's), Mr. Hermann Rettzel, M. Fischer, the distinguished violonecilist, Mr. Dulcken and the mate chorus of the Laederkrauz.

The organ for the Stewart Memorial Cathedral, at Garden City, described as an English instrument in a recent letter to the Neue Freie Presse of Vienna, is the work of Mr. H. L. Rooseveit, who is now miding it at his factory in this city. It has 115 speakbuilding it at any factory in this cuty. It has 115 speak-ing stops—a greater number than any other organ in the world. The registers are it us distributed: Great organ, 31; swell, 27; choir. 23; solo, 7; echo. 7; pedal, 20. There are also 25 mechanical registers, couplers and comb nation peda.

GENERAL NOTES.

A nevel attempt was made in Dundee a fortnight age to ascertain where the bodies of victims of the Tay bridge disaster were lying. A lady was taken out in a pacht and mesmerised. She pointed out the place where a body was lying deeply imbedded in the sand, and when grapnels were used the collar of an evercoat was brought up. The clarroyant afterward declared that twen y bodies lay underneath the girders.

A well-to-do farmer called at the County House in Troy on Monday, and after explaining that his wife had died two years before and that he had found it difficult to get along in his bousehold, informed Keeper O'Sullivan that if he could find a woman in the County House who would sult him he would marry her. Mr. O'Sullivan went into the women's apartment, and choosing the best woman there took her out for inspection. The stranger looked at her in a business way, asked her if she would look after his house, and at the said her if she would look after his house, and at the same time informed her that in case he thought they could agree he would marry her. The woman did not seem to be overloyed at the prespect of becoming a bride, but acreed to the proposition made to her. The man went off saying that he would return again in the morning and take the woman away. He kept his word and the pair went to Albany.

In the expectation that there would be a great tariff debate this Winter, the Bureau of Statistics, through Mr. Charles H. Evans, has prepared a compilathrough Mr. Charles H. Evans, has prepared a compan-tion of the imports of the last ten years, as a book of reference for the use of Congressmen, Importers, mann-facturers and writers. Each article entering into the importations of the United States is taken by itself, and the following facts with respect to it are presented in a table: the quantity, value, rate of duty, mount of duty received, additional and discrin duty, average value of the unit of quantity, and average reduced to ad valorem-these facts being given for ton years. There are many supplemenstatements in the book, concerning imports shipbuilding materials, imports from Canada of shipbuilding materials, imports from Canada and Hawaii, etc. Happily there has been no occasion, so far this Winter, for a resort to the vast fund of information contained in this volume of 489 pages. The tariff has not been the subject of debate. The probabilities are that it will not be at any time during the present session. Nevertheless, it was wise to get ready for a passible discussion, and the work accomplished by Mr. Evens has not been thrown away. The book is a public document, and can be had upon application to Congressmen.

At the Frankliu banquet in Springfield, Obio, on the last anniversary of the great printer's birth day, C. M. Nichols exhibited a fac-chaile of Dunlap's wivania Packet or General Advertiser, population July 8, 1776. It had no editorials, except one warming delinement subscribers that if they didn't pay within four weeks the paper would be atopped! This paper, one of the leading papers published in one of the lead-ing cities of America, was a weekly only. It was printed on an old Ramage wooden press, the luk being inbor-ously applied by balls by the hand of the "devil," the pressman working off 150 to 200 copies per hour. For fifty years this was the press in ordinary use. A recent copy of THE TRIBUNE was subsequently shown as the finest type of the journalism of the period, and "as pronounced to be as neatly printed and as precisel; put together as the eight pages of any book. Mr. Nicuois remarked that a newspaper a bundred years ago had local
news of the week, general American news a month old,
and foreign news from nine works to six months of age.
It had occasional help from contributors, and not seldom
did those express the most advanced and be at todught
of the age. Successively were regions freedom, the
right to hiserty and property, the principle "no taxation
without representation," and the independence of the
American colomics advocated by such men as Samuel and
John Adams and Benjamin Frankin. Now the metropolitan newspapers of the first class show literary work
count to the best in magazine, review or printed book,
and the ripest thought of the entire country—the advocary of the bignest and most wholesome political,
secind and moral principles—accompanied by the saminit
record of a world's events, printed the next morning and
not unfrequently on the same day of their occurrence. nest type of the journalism of the period, and "as pro-

PUBLIC OPINION.

The Grant boom is certainly on the wane. Viewed from to-day's standpoint, appearances indicate the nomination of Washburne or Blaine.—[Norwich Bulletin (Rep.)

We notice in our exchanges all over the ountry that there is developing a feeling in tovor of the nomination of Senator Edmunds as the candidate of the Republican party for President.—[Rutland Herald and Globe (Rep.) If there are so-called anti-Tilden Democrats

who would rather see the party defeated than have it successful, under Mr. Tilden's readership, whatever they may be they cannot claim to be true Democrats.— [Buffalo Courier (Dem.)

people."

ONE OF VOCRHEES'S BLUNDERS.
From The Cincinnait Gazette (Bep.)

Senator Voorhees does not find the eggs in the exodes mare's nest that he looked for, yet he works easerfully on. He is determined to prove that the Democratic majority is fudiana is in danger. He might have done that without the trouble and expense of a Senate investigation. The danger exists, but it grows out of the blunders of the Democratic party and he gradual enlightenment of the people, and not out of the arrival of two or three hundred negro voters.

"DRIVEL OF SECOND CHILDISHNESS." "DRIVEL OF SECOND CHILDISHNESS."
From The Boston Evening Traceller (Rep.)

General Grant is the only man we have that answers all the Republican requirements of the time. The cant about a third term's damers is ridiculous, and proper only for Bediam. No "unwritten law "could be violated in bringing him forward, for no such law exists. The Constitution contains all the law that we are bound to observe in electing a President; and the Constitution says nothing about one term, or a thir term of the Presidential office. As to "ulcutarial power" coming from making a third-term President, it is nothing but bad Jun, and will have no effect on the nined of any man who would not expect to be ghosts on State-st. at high noon. It is, if serions, the drivet of second childishness, and will pass into here colivion.

TAMMANY PREPARING FOR BATTLE.

Prom The New Fork Evening Express (Tum. Dem.)

The action of the State Countritee at Albany demonstrates the determination of Mr. Triden and his agents to control the State Convention II possible, and either to force him upon the National Convention as a candidate or dictate its nominee. Nothing was considered to the committee and an admirable opportunity to respect and comply with the wisies of the Democracy of the State by fashing the initiatory steps toward reconciliation and hardony. It not only refused to do so, but slammed the door in the faces of the people who, from every county, have begged for conciliation and mon. There was no special need for filling the half-dozen vacancies in the committee, and it was an unusual exercise of power on the part of the committee to fill them. By filling them with the pronounced and active personal friends and agents of, Mr. Triden, to the exclusion of all other Democrats, it advertised its determination and set the seatment of the popule at open defiance. Its course means mischief, and will necessitate the calling of an independent State Convention. If conciliation and hardony are to be had, they must be sought alsewhere than from men who would sacrifice the interests of the party, success, everything, to promote the ambittion or grantly the revenge of one man. TAMMANY PREPARING FOR BATTLE.

GRANT'S SUPPORTERS.

A TALK WITH THE HON. THOMAS C. PLATT.

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF GENERAL GRANT'S NOM-INATION-HIS STRENGTH IN NEW-YORK AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY-MR. PLATT EX-PECTS A SOLID GRANT DELEGATION FROM THIS STATE-SECRETARY SHERMAN'S CANDIDACY-THE STATE CONVENTION TO BE HELD EARLY IN MARCH.

For the purpose of obtaining a fair statement of the views and expectations of the strong Grant element in the Republican party in this State, a representative of THE TRIBUNE called upon the Hon. Thomas C. Piatt recently, Mr. Platt's thorough knowledge of State politics, his conspicuous position as chairman of the Republican Executive Committee, and his close relations with Senator Conkling, Governor Cornell and other party leaders make him an excellent authority on this subject. He hesitated at first to talk for the public, having no inclination, he said, to appear in print, but after a good deal of persuasion yielded so far as to answer a few questions, as shown below.

in reply to a query as to what proportion of Republicans in New-York he supposed desired the nomination of General Grant, he said : .

" From my intercourse with the men who have a controlling influence in local politics in the different counties, I am led to believe that a very large majority of the Republicans in the rural districts are enthusiastically in favor of Grant's candidacy. The old soldier element, including the Grand Army organization, is almost unanimous in his support. Then there is a considerable class of business men who believe property would be safer and business more prosperous under his administration than under that of any other man."

"What are the arguments you hear urged in favor

of his nomination ?" "The certainty of public tranquillity and the enforcement of law which the country would enjoy under him is a strong one. Another which has great weight with the stalwart class of Republicans who still take a lively interest in what goes on in the South is the belief that the white and black Republicans in that section would have a better chance of their rights being respected with him in the White House than with anybody else. His name is a terror to the shet-gun Democracy. He is feared and respected by the violent classes in the South. Still another argument is that on the score of availability. The supporters of General Grant believe that he would be the most popular candidate the party could nominate, and would carry New-York overwhelmingly."

" Is this your own view?" "Yes, decidedly. I recognize the fact that a few Republicans, influenced by old prejudices, would refuse to vote for him, but I am confident that the loss of this small element would be much more than compensated for by the gain of thousands of votes from conservative Democrats, who are sick of the disturbing course pursued by their party and desire a strong, safe government at Washington. A good many Democratic soldiers would also be attracted to Grant by his worldwide fame and their recollections of his great deeds in suppressing the Rebellion. One of

delegation. Treasury officials are travelling over the State and the South organizing for him and combining the negroes into secret secieties called "Grand Army of Republicans." I don't object to this per se, but such methods seem to me to come with bad grace from an Administration which has talked so much about Civil Service Reform and beheaded Government officials for attending cancuses. I hardly think, however, that any amount of Treasury effort will overcome the strong feel-ing among Virginia Republicans in favor of General

"Coming back now to New-York, when is the Re pablican State Convention to be held !"
"Probably the date will be fixed early in March.

That will be a medium between an early and a late date. The call will be issued at the meeting of the committee on Saturday next, and there will thus be ample time for the people to canvass the question of Presidential candidates before the convention assembles." "There are no State officers to be nominated, I

believe."

"No; but a new State Committee will have to be chosen, unless it is decided to hold a second convention early in the Fall. If this course is taken the present committee will hold over to that time, and the second convention, beside choosing its successor, would frame a platform with which to open the State campaign, and would besides perform the work of making up the Electoral ticket," "Do you expect a solid Grant delegation from

this State ?"

"Yes: that is the expectation."

"Will Senator Conkling go at its head ?" "He will be strongly urged to be one of the delegates from the State at large, and I hope will consent."

"Suppose a Grant delegation is chosen to go to Chicago and afterwards, say some time in April or May, or just before the Chicago Convention meets, Grant should positively decline, what would then be the probable action of the New-York delegation Would it be controlled by Mr. Conkling ?"

"I don't think Mr. Conkling desires to exercise any control over it. His views would naturally have great weight, however. I want to add to what I said about Mr. Conkling's controlling the New-York delegation that there is an exagger-ated notion in the public mind as to his active influence in the local politics of this State. His influence is seldom exerted except in matters connected with the larger field of National politics, and he does not concern himself, as many. people seem to imagine, with county and district contests, personal rivalries and appointments to office. Mr. Conkling has no taste for details of political organization, with which he is popularly supposed to occupy much of his time, and does not concern himself with them."

A DARTMOUTH ALUMNI DINNER.

ANNUAL REUNION LAST EVENING-THE COMPANY AND THE SPEECHES,

The sixteenth annual dinner of the Dartmouth College Alumin Association was enjoyed last evening, at Pinard's, in East Fifteenth-st., by about torty of the Alumni and several guests. The president forty of the Alumni and several guests. The president of the association, Professor John Ordronaux, of the class of '60, presided, and on his right and left hand eat E. H. Stoughten, ex-Minister to Russia; O. P. Hubbard, formerly a professor at Dartmouth; J. F. Emerson, of the class of '25, and the Rev. John F. Pingrey. Among the others present ent were Dr. W. M. Chamberlain, Josiah Bartlett, George Walker, of the Gold and Stock Telegraph Company, Hiram Hitchcock, Joseph State Committee
W. Howe, H. M. Twombley, Professor Erast at Trenton on T.
tus Everett, General Charles A. Carleton, Gross Chicago Conven

vener S. Hubbard, J. Whitney Barstow, W. W. Niles and J. B. Bouton. Many letters of regret were received. At the business meeting before the dinner the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President—Professor John Ordronaux, LL. D., '50. Vice Presidents—Professor Erastus Everett, LL. D., '36; William M. Chamberlain, M. D., '45, and Jonathan Marshall, A. M., '54.

Secretary—Charles R. Miller, '72.

Corresponding Secretary—Joseph W. Howe, '56.

Tragsurer—Grosvenor S. Hubbard, LL. B., '62.

SCOTLAND'S POET.

BURNS ANNIVERSARY DINNER. PLEASANT ENTERTAINMENT AT DELMONICO'S-SPEECHES BY MR. BEECHER, DAVID DUDLEY FIELD, LUTHER R. MARSH, WILLIAM WALTER

PHELPS AND OTHERS. The one nundred and twenty-first anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns was celebrated last evening by a dinner at Delmonico's. At 6 o'clock the ladies and gentlemen present marched into the dining-room to the sound of music. Among the persons present were General Hancock, Judge the persons present were General Hancock, June E. L. Fancher, Peter Ccoper, the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Parke Godwin, Wm. Walter Phelps, David Dudley Field, General Crittenden, John Hagerman, General Stewars L. Woodford, Colonel Andrew H. H. Dawsen, P. S. Gilmore and Postmaster E. T. James.

A long table was placed in the centre of the dining hall flanked on either side by two smaller tables. David Dudley Field presided at the main table. He introduced the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, who asked a blessing, after which the dinner was served. One hundred and

twenty-five guests were seated at table.
Colonel A. H. H. Dawson read letters of regret from Vice-President Wheeler, Secretary Sherman, Judge Erady, Senator Espard, the Rev. Dr. E. H. Chapin, Secretary Evarts, General Sherman, Sir Edward Thornton, John G. Welttier, Oliver Wendell Hoimer, Judge Rapallo, S. M. Clemens (Mark Twain), and others. Following are the letters from Dr. Holmes and Mr.

BOSTON, Dec. 16, 1879.

ANDREW H. H. DAWSON, cay.

My DEAN Sin: You have done all that could be asked of you, so far as I am concerned, in your elequent appeal to me to be present a the dinner on the Burna prayers are. But duty is still more elequent, and my duty to my class at the Medical College detains use in of you, so far has been sent at the more cloqueous and pead to me to be present at the more cloqueous and the factor of the state of the festivat. It is some consolition for me to remember that I have twice flung my pebule on the carm of the peasant poet, and that he who dreaded jest the avkward equal should free over his grave would have shaddered at the thought of bying unders he people scast by the same band. Very truly yours,

DANNERS, Mass., lat Mo. 24, 1880.

To A. H. H. DAWSON. cog.

I wish it were in my power to accept the kind invitation of thy letter. No one, I am certain can feel warner love and admiration for the great poet of mortaind them myself. Since his time many posits have lived and written, but it seems to me that his assurance of importality is the strongest, and his hold upon the human heart most secure.

I am truly the friend.

JOHN G. WHITTIER.

The first tonat : "The President of the United States,"

was followed by not sie-" Hall to the Calef."
"The Queen of Creat Britain and Ireland" was followed by music-" God save the Queen," "The Genius of Robert Burns" was responded to by David Dudley Field. In the course of his remarks he said: "It is a relief to turn saide for an evening to contemplate the genius of Burns. A ploughman from his birth; yet of all the poets in the English language his poems have passed into more households than any other, except Shakespeare. All over the world

Letter R. Mursh also responded to the teast. In speaking of the poet he said: "The human feeding throbs through all his verse. At home with Nature in all her moods; in love with hills and fields; with heart

speaking of the poet he sale! "The names in the strongest proofs of General Grant's strength is the fact that all the Democratic and assistant-Democratic newspapers in the land are toaking much desperate efforts to weaken and defeat his anomination."

"What States do you think Ceneral Grant would be sure to carry—at the election, I mean, not in the convention?"

"Every Northern State, with the possible exception of Indiana, Hewould have besides a fair chance of carrying three Southern States—Virginia, Ffortida and Louisiana. I was down in Virginia during the recent Senatorial contest at Riehmond. Some of our friends thought my experience in pelitical organization would aid a movement for a combination between the Republicans and the debt-paying. Bourbons in the Legislature, which would send General Wiekham, a Republican, to the Senate. The movement would have succeeded if it had been started earlier. While there I learned much of the popularity of General Grant with the people, received the best President would be a Republican in any case, and they hoped to see Grant chosen because he had always treated them fairly, and they felt sure that their interests would be best subserved by his election. Large numbers of them will vote for him if he is nominated."

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ship. Methinks, I yet shall hear his voice in the elemnul future.

Parke Godwin responded to "The Press," and Surrogate Calvin spoke in a patriotic vein of "The Tree of
Liberty."

"Highland Hospitality" was eloquently aliuded
to by William Walter Phelps, who explained that
hospitality is the badge of a Scotchman, and he urged a
more hospitable spirit anong men of the present day.
George H. Yeaman spoke of "Burus's Letters."
Major Asa B. Gardner, U. S. A., spoke of "The Soldier's
Feturn." The remaining tonast net with acceptable responses from prominent gentlemen, and the exercises of
the evening were brought to a close. The tonats were as
follows:

1-The President of the United States-Music, "Hail to 2-The Queen of Great Britain and Ireland-Music; God Save the Queen."
3—The Genius of Robert Burns—" I come to give thee
the reward as we bestow."
4—Songs and Singers—" Thy tuneful flame still careful

5. Our Country—
* Rright or wrong, my country."

6. We man—
"When awful beauty join with all her charms.
Who is so rash as rise in robel arms!"

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7. The Press—
"There is a chiel amang ye taken notes,
And faith, he'il print 'em."

8. The Tree of Liberty—
"Deal Freedom's nored treasure free as air,
Til slave and despot be but things which were.

10. The Soldier's Return—
"And for fair Socia, have again,
I cheery on did wander."

11. Death and Dr. Hornbeck-"Folk mann do something for their bread."

12. The Frue Loyal Natives—
"Ye true 'loval natives,' attend to my song."

13. The Mysic Tre"May freedom, harmony and love, unite you in the world design."

"May freedom, harmony and love, unite y grand design."

14. The Henpecked Husband.—

15. Sensibility.—

"Dearly bought the hidden treasure Fluer feelings can bestow, Chords that vibrate sweetest pleasure Thril the deceest notes of woe."

16 Burna's Gratitude.—

"Pil remember the Glencairn, And a' that thou hast done for me."

17 Burna's Letters.—

17 Burns's Letters—

1 ackn wiedge, my dear sir, you are not only the most pencetual, but the most delectable correspondent ever met with."

The exhibition of these pictures at the

THE HUNT PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS.

studio of the artist, No. I Park-square, Boston, will coninnecentil the 31st of January, inclusive, day and even-ing. Their sale at public auction will take place on February 3 and 4 at 1 p.m., in Horticultural Hail. The exhibition of this collection has created a surprising amount of interest among artists and the public; not so much because those who have seen them manage to agree in regard to the strength and delicacy of the works, but because the pictures nearly all exhibit the characteristic traits of Hunt, and exemplify the methods which he pursued and which one of the schools of our artists hopes may and which one of the schools of a train appearance by the become the inshion. Hunt labored for freedom and breadth, and he never spared himself in the long and careful training of hand and eye which finally made him the master of these qualities. The pictures now on exhibition in Boston are not all of equal excellence, exhibition in Boston are not all of equal excellence, but many of them are happy instances of what Hunt could do, and of his peculiar ideas, and all of them have a positive art value. It is a pity that they cannot be kept together, but as they must be sold, it only remains to remuch the public that such an opportunity to obtain specimens of the work of one of the leading creative men in American art circles will never occur again, and that it should be improved by them.

A REPUBLICAN CONVENTION CALLED.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 28 .- The Republican State Committee has called a convention, to take place at Trenton on Thursday, May 6, to cleet delegates to the

THE BALL SEASON.

MASONIC FESTIVITIES AT THE ACADEMY. ANNUAL FESTIVITIES OF THE PALESTINE COM-MANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-THE ACADEMY

OF MUSIC CROWDED.
The Palestine Commandery of Knights Templat gave its annual entertainment last night at the Academy of Music, which was filled with guests, many of whom were visitors from other cities. The exhibition drill gave great satisfaction, and dancing began at an earlier hour than usual.

THE ENTERTAINMENT AND THE GUESTS. Palestine Commandery of Knights Templar is a Masoule organization of this city which holds about the same relation to Masoury that the 7th Regiment does to the National Guard. It annually gives a ball, reception and exhibition drill. Last year Gilmore's Garden was taxed to accommodate its guests. Last night they filled the stage, every seat and nearly all the standing room in the Academy of Music. The directors would, they say, have secured a larger place if one had been attainable. Hitherto these balls have not been re-ported in The Thiunks. Last night reporters were sent out of curiosity. It was fully gratified, for they saw one of the most peculiar exhibitions of the kind it

possible to imagine.

The Commandery call it an "Invitation Ball." In common parlance of the vulgar-minded it is known as a" hat check ball." Tout is, the tickets to the ball are free, and are distributed with a boundless liberality. But it costs every gentleman who attends just \$1 to get his but and overcost taken care of, and he must pay before entering the building. Doubtless many persons having received invitations attend without previous knowledge of this charge, and pay it rather than return home with the ladies whom they have invited. The suit naturally is a great crowd, and the sale of these hat checks, the rent of the boxes and the leases of the bar

mandery.
Some of the peculiarities of last night's ball were very interesting. Pully nineteen-twentleths of the persons present were strangers to the ordinary balls of the season. Doubtless many of those who came were persons who would at-tend no other than a masonic ball, just as there are persons who will go to no other than a church fair or a religious concert. Possibly there were as many more who would not think of going to any other than an invi-tation ball; rather than spend money on such frivolity

they would stay at home.

The new faces were both old and young. There were andreds of gray heads of both sexes who came of course only to look on. The number of young ladies and even young children was not to be commercial. It was stonishing how many young and pretty mris of from fourteen to eighteen were on the floor. There were dancing sels and groups of them bewildering charming And there were, as a consequence, many fresh, but simple toilets were by these. As a rule the toilets were not rich, but they were decidedly varied. Evening dresses for gentlemen were in a most positive minority. It would have broken Mr. Reimont's beart to have seen the stage largely occupied by gentlemen in freek coats, dancing with ladies in full walking cos, tune, with their bonnets on. Men in overcoats with beavers upon their heads, escerted about the lobbles ladies in scalable sacks and silk cloaks. The semi-mili-tary uniforms of the Knights gave the buil something of the sir of a military reception. Of course these pecu-harities in no way detracted from the enjoyment of the evening; on the contrary, the lack of formality and conventionality made it one of the most enjoyable of

Everybody came early to witness the drill of the Knights, and most of the older persons went away as soon as it was over. At midnight the crowd had so thinned out that dancing became possible. In fact, the bail was nearly over before the hour at which other

THE DRILL AND RECEPTION.

A little after nine o'clock the Palestine Commandery formed on the floor, and, saluting with drawn swords, received the visiting Knights. Yonkers Commandery, No. 47, escented the representation from the Grand Commandery of New-York State, under Eminent Commander Lynian J. Coob. The St. John's Commandery, No. 4, of Publishington, under Charles Loing, Past Com-mander, with John P. S. Gobin, Grand Commander, and Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Past Grand Commander of the State, were also thus received. An address of welcome State, were also thus received. An address of welcome to the visitors and to the assembled guests was delivered by George W. Skellen, of the Palestine Commandery, the Knights being drawn up in line, and responses were made by Messra, trothin and Hardelmasm. The exhibition drill of the Palestine Commandery then followed under Captain-General Rand, lasting from 9.30 to 10 o'clock. The drill was a very interesting exhibition of disc-prine, and with the combination of threes, and "sections," the tactics of the Knights developed many intricate evolutions. Triangles, squares and crosses were torned with a skill that elected frequent applicate from the large authence. At the close of the drill the floor was cleared for the dancing that followed under the music of Grafulla's 7th Regiment Band.

A FEW OF THE GUESTS. Among those present were the officers of the following

commanderies: Commandery No. 4 of Philadelphia. Grand Commandery of New-York. Commandery No. 47 of Yonkers, and Morton Com-mandery of New-York. C. E. Parvin, Commander of South Boston Command-

E. P. Caspin, Eminent Commander of Spring Com-C. E. Pierce, Senior Worden St. Omer Commandery, outh Boston.
John E. Baidwin and George Van Vliet, of New-York.
J. F. Statkey, Sub-Marshal of the Great Priory of Eng-

The following were among the guests : The following were among the guests:

General Abraham Duryes,
Police Capcain Williams,
Chartty Commissioner Thos.
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Mrs. R. H. Stamson,
Mrs. R. H. Stevens,
Mrs. Brick,
E. L. Merrifield,
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Following is a list of the occupants of the boxes Proscenium Boxes. Thomas B, Rand,
James A, Rich,
George W, Skeilen,
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A, Hance,
William G, Stabluccker.

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John M. Burt,
Charles P. Cocks,
Wilnum H. Chapman,
Fred. D. Gedney,
Edward S. Goss,
James A. Rica,
J. M. Harned,
William Coverly,
J. H. Woods,
Peter Forrester,
J. V. B. Green,
J. R. Taylor, M. D.,
C. Wallson,
C. J. Bilven. W. D. Garrison.
O. W. Buckingham.
William Johnson, Jr.,
T. C. Eastman,
James W. Pringle,
A. D. Sterling,
Mitchell Halliday,
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James W. B. B.
C. P. Woodworth,
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E. M. Levey,
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Dr. J. H. Sweat,
E. C. Harwood,
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SOME OF THE TOILETS. The ball was noteworthy for the number of short co tumes worn by the young ladies, of which there were : arger number than usual present.
Miss Annie Yost, of Philadelphia, were a tellet of

eream-white brocade and pale-bine gros-grain made short and garnished with crope friege and roses. Mrs. L. E. Stowell, of San Francisco, were a Louis XVI. costame of ashes-of-roses silk and veivet, of a

Mrs. T. J. Fame were an elegant costaine of dregs of wine velvet and salmon satin, with garniture of pearl passementric and lace. A pearl necklace and a diamond eroes and diamond earlings were wern. Her dark hair was dressed high with pearl white feathers.

Mrs. Wheeler K. Dots wore a costume of ashes-of-roses gros-grain combined with hine satin. The front of satin was caught to irregular puffs and the lower sides were of ashes-of-roses sits shirred deep on the sides; ornaments of dead gold.

Mrs. Flicht wore a blace gros-grain and satin tonet, with trimmings of rich jet passementric and handsome diamond ornaments.

Miss. K. Paisons was dressed in a toilet of pale gros-grain and satin, with garniture of plak crope fringe. The front of the skirt was of satin, shirred in lengthwise puffs, and the short panier overdress was of gros-grain made high, with chow sleeves trimmed amonds were worn.
Mrs. T. J. Pame wore an elegant costume of dregs of

with white Spanish lace. Strings of pearls were worn as

a necklase.

Miss Dennison were a costume of black satin de Lyon and velvet made high and worn with a profusion of tulle, with strings of pearls. Roses and chrysanthemum were worn as ornaments.

Miss Lits Letson wore a tollet of white Swiss and valenciennes lace with bodies of white satin. The garnture was of lace and flowers. Diamond ornaments were worn.

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Miss Carrie Letson wore a short costume of cream white easumers with garniture of cream white frinks.

Mrs. Tovey wore a costume of bisox gros-grain and sarin made en princesse, and garnished with black thread lace over white illusion pleatings. Her ornaments were of Etruscan gold.

A MATTER OF TWENTY-TWO YEARS.

PRENTICE MULFORD EXPLAINS THAT HE WAS BORN IN 1834, NOT 1856-SOME REFLECTIONS ON

THE CORRECTION.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

SIR: In THE TRIBUNE'S report of the Bullion Club Dinner yesterday the reporter makes me say, or perhaps I did say myself, although I did not mean to say, this: "U fortunately, I was born in 1856 and could not have been a '49 er." Now, although the world at large doesn't in the least care whether I was born in 1856 or 1756, still I don't like to appear to sail under false colors or dates in the matter of youth, and therefore I am compelled to inform all whom it may concern, if you will allow me the privilege of your columns, that, still more unfortunately, I was really and truly bern as far back as 1834, of poor and telerably honest parents. At least, I was told I was born in 1834, and have always placed implicit reliance on the statement. If I was born in 1856, I was not aware of the fact at the time, and so far as my memory now serves. I believe I was then engaged in

What I meant to say was, that I went out to California in 1856, and ranked my California buth from that date. Any man who has lived in that from that date. Any man who has lived in that great State of golden dreams and leaden realities for fifteen years will agree with me that his sojourn there is equivalent in point of experience, change, excitement and vicissitude to another separate life, and hence he comes to regard his earthly career as composed of two lives, one of the East, the other of the West. Figuratively, then, I was born again in California in 1856, just in time to witness the hanging of two men in San Francisco by the Vigilance Committee, which I did within a few hours of my arrival.

You will do an act of mercy and charity by insert You will do an act of mercy and charity by inserting the above correction, inessence as it may relieve some perplexing and terrifying apprehensions possibly even now experienced by some worthy people on reading this misstatement in to-day's ERBUNE. For these people were directly instrumental and deeply interested in my 1834 birth, and with them I have not yet had any opportunity to make any detailed and adequate explanation.

Parafice Mulford.

Non-Fork Jan 28 1880.

New-York, Jan. 28, 1880.

MIDNIGHT WEATHER REPORT.

Indications, For New-England, colder and clear or fair weather, using parometer, and northerly to westerly winds. For the Middle States, colder and clear or partly londy weather, northwest to northeast winds, and ris-

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the barometer is again apward. Cloudy and ratty weather was followed early yesterday by clearing and weather was followed carly year any of the tweet 49° and 65°, the average (51°) being 7° higher than on the same day last year and 4½° higher than on Thesday. Colder and clear or partly cloney weather may be expected in this city and vicinity to-day.

A young lady who came in last week to advertise for kitchen help said, with a sigh and a wring of her dainty gloved bands," Oh! I do hope we'll get one soon; for it does almost break my heart to see mother wash dishes, with her rheumatism, too.—[McGregor News.

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A NEW-BRUNSWICK MILL BURNED. St. John, N. B., Jan. 28 .- A large saw and grist mili at Second Falls, owned by Gumour Brothers, was burned this morning. The loss is heavy.

WOOL MARKET. WOOL MARKET.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—WOOL—The demand continues good prices are very firm and well sustained, with a decision unward tendence; holders are very indifferent about selling large lot of desirable strates as it is evident that such wool cannot be replaced except at higher prices; all grades and qualifies ar indement; as es of other and Feansylvania Fleeces X an XX. at 50 20 20. No. 1 Fleeces at 50 20 33, Michigan, Wistonsia and other Fleeces, at 45 20 30. Michigan Medium an No. 1 at 65 25 30. Feans and 1 20 40 30 and 1 20 40 30 and 2 40 30 30 30 50 c. the latter price for Choice Medium Pulled Wools are quite firm, selling freely at 45 20 30 at 30 40 50 c. the latter price for Choice Medium and Choice Supers at 60 62 50 c. in Canfornia wool nothing of consequence was done; prices of Fall ranging at 32 40 c. there was a fair busin as in Foreign Wool at this prices.

LATEST SHIP NEWS

PORT OF NEW YORK ARRIVED JAN 28. FOREIGN PORTS.

LONDON, Jan 28.—Arr off Deal, atr Erin, from New York, LAYERPOOL, Jan 28.—Arr air Andean (Br), from New Orlean

HUNTER-KING-At the considence of the bride's parent Thesian, January 27, by the Rev. John W. Teal, of German fown, Fenn., Henry Hunter and Mary L., daughter of Car tain William S. King, all of Gernwall-on-Rudson, N. Y. PEARDDY-DAMON-At Grace Church, by the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D. D., on Tuesday, January 27, 1830, Charlotte Anits, angulate of the late John W. Damon, of Boston, to Charles A. Pesbody, Jr., of this city.

All notices of Marriages must be in brest with full name and address.

ANDERSON-On Wednesday, January 28, Mrs. Jane Anderson, aged 36 years.
Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her famers from the resistance of her son-in-law, Heary Demarest, 38 West 33d-st., on Friday, January 30, at 4 o clock b. 40 BOWNE—At Baltimore, on the 23d var. Elizabeth, widow of the late Samuel Bowne, in \$10 75th year of per age.

of the late Samuel Bowne, in the 75th year of our age.

COE—At Middletown, Conn., January 26, Maria Seward,
whole of the late Limis Cos, in the 85th year of nor age.
Fineral from residence of C. Vincent Coffin, on Thursday,
January 29, 813 b m. January 29, at 3 p. m.
COLGATE—At Paria, France, on January 7, Charles C. Colgate.
Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral at the Radison Avenue Bartist Church, corner of Sistest, on Friends, January 39, at 3130 o'clock. Friends are kindly requested not to send dowers.

quested not to seed flowers.

EDWARDS—January 28, Frank A., youngest son of James B. and Editabeth A. Enwards, ago: 5 years and 11 months. Notice of tuneral to-morrow.

DE 1.AUNAY—On Tuesday morning, January 27, 1830. Victor De Launay, in the 74th year of his age. Funeral services at the Church of the Ascension 5th ave. and 10th st., on Thursday morning, 20th new., at 0.30 o'clock. MAXWELL—In Deer Lodge, Montana, on January 11, of pheumonia, John Maxwell, formerly a resident of this city.

pneumonis, John Maxwell, formerly a resident of this city, PERRY—On Monday, January 20, Sarah P., widow of the late fiew, Salmon C. Perry, in the 75d reac of her age. Relatives and friends are noticed to attend her fineral, at 11 o'clock n. m., on "ours in., January 20, from her late residuate, No. 232 East 124th st. No flowers.

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HAYMOND At Morristown, N. ., on Monday, the 26th
inst, of pneumonts. Cornella, wife of George B. liaymond,
and daugater of A. Van Vechten, esc., of Alberty, N. Y.
Funers from St. Feter's Church, Albany, N. Y., on Thursday,
the 20th inst., at 3 0 0 004 p. 0. the 29th inst., at 3 7 0.002 p. B., SCRIBNEE-At Tariytown, N. Y., on Wednestry, January 28, 1880, James W. Scribner, M. D., in the 60th year of his ago.

Puneral services at the First Reformed Church, Tarrytown, on sametar, January 31, 1880, at 230 p. m.
1905 p. m. train from 120 at.

Carriages in walting at depot at Tarrytown.

STANTON—Suddenly, on Monday morning, January 19, at 1930 o'clock, at the Ebbitt House, Washdagton, D. C., Jo-seph Warron Stanton, or Stonington, Conn., in the 79th year of m's agr., New-Orleans papers please copy.

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UGLOW—On Wednesday morning, January 28, William Ross, son of the late James Uglow, M. D., S. U. S. A., and graudson of William S. Ross, deceased, of New-York, in the 28d year of his age.

Funeral services Friday p. m., 30th ust., from his mother's residence, Clinton-place, Elizaheth, N. J., at 3:30 p. m., Oarriages in waiting at depot for 2:30 train from New-York, on Central R. B. of N. J. Friends please only flowers.

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